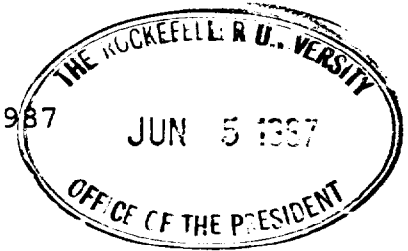


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Dear Dr. Brachman:

Thank you for your letter of May 29 commenting on the report of CISAC's meeting with a Soviet delegation on BW. Unfortunately, the slides shown to us in Moscow were not given to us. I do recollect that Matt Meselson was given one or two slides, but you'll have to confirm that with him.

I found the remarks in your letters to me and Matt Meselson very interesting and useful. Because I am not a biomedical scientist, I am not in a position to respond knowledgeably to your comments and questions. However, I have sent copies of your letters to Dr. Lederberg.

Our committee is currently considering what might be an appropriate next step in the inter-Academy dialogue on BW issues. I will keep you informed of our future activities.

Thank you very much for sharing with us your reactions to the information we received from the Soviets on Sverdlovsk.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Rusten".

Lynn Rusten
Program Officer

cc: Dr. Joshua Lederberg